

**Measures Considered:**

**Supplemental Appropriations Act:** Senate began consideration of H.R. 2346, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S5589–S5607**

**Adopted:**

Inouye/Cochran Amendment No. 1131, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S5591**

Inouye Amendment No. 1137, of a perfecting nature. **Pages S5595–98, S5607**

**Pending:**

Inouye/Inhofe Amendment No. 1133, to prohibit funding to transfer, release, or incarcerate detainees detained at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, to or within the United States. **Pages S5591–95**

McConnell Amendment No. 1136, to limit the release of detainees at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, pending a report on the prisoner population at the detention facility at Guantanamo Bay. **Page S5595**

Cornyn Amendment No. 1139, to express the sense of the Senate that the interrogators, attorneys, and lawmakers who tried in good faith to protect the United States and abide by the law should not be prosecuted or otherwise sanctioned. **Pages S5598–S5602**

Brownback Amendment No. 1140, to express the sense of the Senate on consultation with State and local governments in the transfer to the United States of detainees at Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. **Pages S5602–07**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Thursday, May 21, 2009. **Page S5607**

A unanimous-consent time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, May 20, 2009, and that there be two hours of debate relative to Inouye Amendment No. 1133 (listed above), equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders, or their designees; with the time allocated as follows: the first 30 minutes under the control of the Republican Leader, the second 30 minutes under the control of the Majority Leader; and that the final 60 minutes be divided equally, with 10 minute limitations, with the final 5 minutes of time under the control of Senator Inouye; provided that upon the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote on or in relation to Inouye Amendment No. 1133, with no amendment in order to the amendment; provided further, that all first-degree amendments be filed at the desk by 1:00 p.m., on Wednesday, May 21, 2009. **Page S5607**

**House Messages:**

**Helping Families Save Their Homes Act:** Senate concurred in the amendment of the House of Representatives to S. 896, to prevent mortgage foreclosures and enhance mortgage credit availability. **Page S5581**

**Signing Authority—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that on Tuesday, May 19, 2009, the Majority Leader, be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions. **Page S5565**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 88 yeas to 6 nays (Vote No. Ex. 195), Gary Gensler, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for a term expiring April 13, 2012.

Gary Gensler, of Maryland, to be Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

Kristina M. Johnson, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Energy.

Steven Elliot Koonin, of California, to be Under Secretary for Science, Department of Energy.

Scott Blake Harris, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Department of Energy.

Larry J. Echo Hawk, of Utah, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior. **Pages S5582–88, S5647**

**Nomination Received:** Senate received the following nomination:

Philip L. Verveer, of the District of Columbia, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for International Communications and Information Policy in the Bureau of Economic, Energy, and Business Affairs and U.S. Coordinator for International Communications and Information Policy. **Page S5647**

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**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—195) **Pages S5570, S5573, S5582**